THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) to (c) The drugs Pyritinel Hydrochloride and Piracetam are marketed in India under a popular classification "Corebral Activators". Permission was granted to these drugs in late 1960. These drugs are marketed under different brand names such as Encephebael, Normabrain, Piratam, etc.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) and (g) The composition of cerebral activators the retail price of each brand as well as side effects and centre-indications is given in the Monthly Index of Medical Specialities, Volume 9, No. 7, July, 1989 published by MIMS India, No. 90, Nehru Place, New Delhi-110019.

(h) No, Sir.

(i) Does not arise.

Contents of Tonics being marketed in the country

2635. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Tonics being markeed in the counry contain Glycerophosphate, Alcohol and CNS stimulants;

(b) if so, the names of ten leading brands;

(c) wha are the names of the producers of each tonic containing these ingredients;

(d) what is the price at which each is being sold at present;

(e) whether it is a fact that such a combinaion is irrational;

(f) whether it is also a fact that based on these ingredients which are useless, the producers are looting the consumer;

(g) whether it is a fact that these combinations have been considered by expert committee set up for weding irrational combinations; and

(h) if so, what is their reaction and what steps have been taken in the consumers' interest?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) A statement is enclosed. (*See* below).

(e) to (h) Tonics are being studied by expert group from the angle of rationality for placing its view before Drugs Consultative Committee.

Statement

Name of the tonic	Manufacturers	Retail price as given in MIMS (India) July, 1989
B.G. Phos	M/s. Merind	200 ml bottle —Rs. 15.41
Calron	M/s. East India Pharmaceuticals	200 ml bottle —Rs. 15.02
Ciltone	M/s. Duphar	240 ml. bottle —Rs. 10.50
Embelix	M/s. May & Baker	200 ml. bottle —Rs. 19.50
Hemiphos	M/s. Goffery Manners	225 ml. bottle—Rs. 10.65
J. P. Tone	M/s. Jagson Pal	200 ml. bottle —Rs. 23.61
Kinetone	M/s. Boots (India)	200 ml. bottle —Rs. 13.60
Metatone	M/s. Parke Davis	170 ml. bottle —Rs. 15.62
Nervitone	M/s. Alembic	250 ml. bottle —Rs. 17.50
Neurophesphates	M/s. Eskayef	300 ml. bottle —Rs. 22.50